



BRITISH CRUISERS DISABLED BY FIRE FROM GERMAN GUNS

Three English Fighters off Belgian Coast are Declared to Have Been Put Out of Commission.

BATTLE CONTINUES AT YSER

Heavy Rain Interferes With Infantry But Artillery Continues in Action—River is Choked With Bodies—Entire Regiment of Germans Drowned As Dykes Open.

BERLIN, Nov. 15.—German guns on the Belgian coast have disabled the British cruisers Falcon, Brilliant and Rinaldo, according to an official statement issued here this afternoon.

PARIS, Nov. 15.—Such fighting as the weather permitted continued to rage this afternoon along the Yser river.

The infantry temporarily was of little value.

A fierce gale swept the coast and cold rain fell.

Wallowing in bogs, the troops were able to move at but a snail's pace and assaults, under the circumstances, were impossible.

Big guns, already placed, opened up a terrific fire, however.

PARIS, Nov. 15.—An entire regiment of Germans was drowned by the sudden reopening of the sluices in northwestern Belgium today, according to an official communication from the Bordeaux war office.

The allies decided to flood the country again, it was explained, because a recession of the waters had enabled the Germans to resume the offensive against Dixmude last week.

By this latest inundation, German operations in that district were declared to have been effectually stopped. The region under water is five miles across, extending from south of Dixmude to three miles from Bixchoote.

The Germans were reported to be reinforcing their lines as close to Dixmude as the flood would permit and they evidently had planned to make a stronger assault.

Dixmude itself is a wreck.

The fighting was swiftness away from Ypres today. It was the fiercest six miles from that place. A woods near it was filled with Germans, it was said, who had been slain in hand-to-hand encounters with the French in which the bayonet was the weapon mainly used.

A terrific struggle was also reported in progress in a woods south of Bixchoote.

The Yser was choked with corpses. Captured Germans declared that when they crossed the stream, they did so literally over the bodies of their own men and horses.

American Cruisers Reply.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—Cablegrams direct from the commanders of the cruisers North Carolina and Tennessee brought word to the navy department that all was well aboard these two American warships in the Mediterranean, and denied that marines or bluejackets had been landed by the North Carolina at Beirut, Syria.

For three days the department was flooded with messages from friends and relatives of the men on the cruisers, who were alarmed by published rumors that the North Carolina had been blown up by a mine in Turkish waters. On account of interrupted cable service there had been no communication with the vessels for more than a week.

LOCAL BANKER PREDICTS GOOD THINGS FROM RESERVE SYSTEM

That the establishment of the federal reserve banking system will be of substantial benefit, directly and indirectly to this section, is the view of G. M. Rice, cashier of the First National Bank of Pendleton, which institution is now a part of the new reserve system.

"The chief advantage of the reserve system is that it will permit us to secure funds from the regional reserve banks at times when there are unusual needs, such as during crop moving time, or in time of a stringency," says Mr. Rice. "We may do this either directly or indirectly through such banks as those in Portland. The new system should prove of great benefit."

CAPT. MULLER OF EMDEN, AND PRINCE TAKEN PRISONER WITH HIM

PRINCE FRANCIS JOSEPH OF HOHENZOLLERN



CAPT. KARL VON MULLER.

Captain Karl von Muller of the German cruiser Emden, destroyed by the Australian warship Sydney, is now a prisoner of war. He was rescued from his burning vessel unharmed.

Prince Francis Joseph of Hohenzollern, serving as a lieutenant on the Emden, was also taken prisoner. He was not hurt. He is a distant relative to the Kaiser, being a member of the non-reigning line of Hohenzollern princes. His sister is the wife of ex-King Manuel of Portugal.

Fire Damage \$300,000.
PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 15.—Fire in the business section here did damage estimated at \$300,000. Five buildings were destroyed.

WHEAT WORTH \$1.40 BU IN LIVERPOOL MARKET

That the Liverpool wheat market is unchanged since Saturday is reported by cable today. This means that the quotation of nine shillings, seven pence remains. The Liverpool quotations are for 48 pounds of wheat, interpreted the quotation of nine shillings, seven pence means \$2.32 for one and two-thirds bushels of wheat. Reduced to bushels the Liverpool price is approximately \$1.40 or almost 49 per cent more than is being offered local farmers for grain at this time.

NO DEFINITE WORD RECEIVED OF FATE OF THE AUDACIOUS

Belief Grows, However, That Drednaught Has Been Sunk—Admiralty Still Keeps Silent.

STORIES OF VESSEL DIFFER

Enquiry Directed to England Brings Back Reply That Battleship is Undergoing Repairs—Strict Censorship Prevents Securing Details of the Disaster.

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Whether the dreadnaught Audacious was now lying at the bottom of the North sea or was undergoing repairs, was not known definitely here today.

Reports brought here were that the Audacious had been sunk and that the liner Olympic had rescued the crew. A message, carefully framed in order to pass the censor, was sent to London by the United Press making inquiries concerning the fate of the war vessel. The following reply was received:

"The best information available indicates the Audacious is undergoing repairs."

Owing to the strict censorship, it was impossible to get further details.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—Although the admiralty still failed to admit the loss of the Audacious the public felt there was no doubt that the dreadnaught had been really destroyed, as reported by a German mine in the North sea.

Acceptance of the fact caused anger rather than gloom. This sentiment has been growing steadily since the beginning of the war the British fleet has not given a satisfactory account of itself.

HELIX YOUTH WILL SERVE SENTENCE IN STATE PRISON

MILTON ANDERSON, CHARGED WITH ROBBERY, GETS 1 TO 10 YEARS.

Milton Anderson, the Helix youth implicated with James Navin, well known farmer, in a highway robbery escape, will have to serve a sentence in the state penitentiary. Circuit Judge Phelps has denied the application for parole which was made at the time Anderson pleaded guilty and received a sentence of from one to ten years in the penitentiary.

In denying the application, Judge Phelps declared the court could not afford to look lightly upon such crimes as highway robbery and, while personally he was convinced that the young man had been taught a lesson and would probably not again violate the law, it was beholden upon the court to show that such offenses were not to be tolerated. However, he intimated that he would recommend clemency for the prisoner to the state parole board at the expiration of his minimum sentence.

Anderson and Navin held up Pat Dempsey, a farm hand, near Helix late in the summer at the point of a gun. Both were apprehended and released on bail. Anderson made a clean breast of the affair but Navin departed for parts unknown, forfeiting his bail of \$750.

Desperado Asks Pardon.
FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Nov. 14.—"Blue Parka Man," Charles Hendrickson, one of the most famous desperados of Alaska, is asking a pardon from the federal penitentiary, according to a letter from the board of pardons received by the United States district attorney's office here.

NEWS SUMMARY

General.

British cruisers off Belgian coast reported to have been disabled by German land guns.

Villa will resign from army and leave Mexico.

No definite knowledge as to fate of British dreadnaught Audacious. Report says vessel is undergoing repairs but belief seems to be that vessel has been sunk.

Local.

G. M. Rice predicts reserve bank system means great benefit to this section.

Local sorority disbanded in obedience to dictum of college Pan-Hellenic.

LORD ROBERTS AS HE APPEARED AT OUTBREAK OF WAR; HIS DEATH A SAD BLOW TO ENGLAND



LONDON, Nov. 16.—The body of Lord Roberts, who died Saturday, was expected to arrive at Folkestone this afternoon. It was expected that funeral services would be held in St. Paul's cathedral. Lady Roberts was said to have insisted on a private burial and to have the body laid to rest in All Saint's churchyard at Ascot, according to his own expressed wish.

A tomb had been offered for him in Westminster abbey.

Lord Roberts, hero of the South African war, and retired field marshal of the British forces, died at 8 o'clock Saturday evening in France. The immediate cause of his death was pneumonia.

The war bureau issued an official statement announcing the death of England's famous commander.

It was stated that Lord Roberts had contracted chills while visiting the British troops in France.

The first intimation that "Bobs" as the late field marshal was known, even expected to leave England, came

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL SORORITY DISBANDED; CLUB MAY BE FORMED

In conformance with the edict of the national Pan-Hellenic association, the Sigma Epsilon Omicron sorority, which has played a prominent part in Pendleton high school social life for the past ten or twelve years, was Saturday formally disbanded and is now no more. However, the girls composing its membership will form a club and still continue their activities.

The national Pan-Hellenic is composed of 70,000 women who represent all of the national college sororities. At a recent convention in New York city, it was voted to bar from membership any of the college sororities any girl who, after November 15, was a member of a high school sorority. Inasmuch as many of the girls in the local sorority plan to enter college

later and have ambitions to join the sororities there, it was decided to disband.

For many years college sorority women have been opposed to the high school secret organizations and have frowned upon them time and again but their present ruling is the first time drastic steps have been taken to eliminate them. They hold that the high school clubs are totally unnecessary, having not the justifications for existence that the college sororities have, and have a tendency to result in the formation of undesirable cliques, develop snobbishness and set up false ideals. Whether or not the disbanding of the local sorority and the formation of a club will satisfy the demands of the college "Greeks" remains to be seen.

PENDLETON PROMPT IN OFFERING HELP TO WARRING LANDS

Christmas Box Which Will be Sent the Orphan Children of Europe Rapidly Grows in Size.

LIBERAL RESPONSE IS MADE

Residents Show Much Generosity in Contributions and Committee is Gratiified With Way City Has Repplied to Appeal for Aid—Box Goes on Its Way Tomorrow.

Pendleton does not hear appeals for charity unmoved. If anybody doubts the charitable heart of this city they have but to step into the Wohlbens Department Store to be undeceived. There a small mountain of packages has been built from the contributions of local residents to the Christmas box to the orphan children of suffering Europe.

As the campaign ends, the shower of gifts has increased. The committee of ladies who have been canvassing the city report a most liberal response and their work has been made easy by the prompt generosity of residents. The main street committee, headed by Mrs. William Blakely, reports that the business men have been more than generous, more than \$150 in money and innumerable articles of clothing and other acceptable presents having been contributed by them. Each of the banks donated \$50. Another committee reports a subscription of \$50 by M. McCracken, the Butter creek farmer who is spending the winter here.

All of this money is being spent here in Pendleton. It is being turned into suitable presents and the packages will be boxed up and tomorrow dispatched to the Chicago Herald which is conducting the campaign over the nation. A United States battleship will carry the presents to Europe and there they will be received by the Red Cross organization and distributed to the unfortunate children through that agency.

BULL MOOSER SAYS G.O.P. HAS NOTHING TO CROW OVER

DR. COE OF PORTLAND DENIES DEMOCRATS WILL WIN AGAIN IN 1916.

"The republicans have nothing to crow over as a result of the election in this state or in the nation."

This is the statement made this morning in this city by Dr. Henry Waldo Coe, one of the leading members of the "Bull Moose" party in the state and a close student of things political. Dr. Coe also predicted that the democrats would again be victorious in the national election two years from now.

"Here in Oregon," he said, "George Chamberlain, democrat, overcame a 70,000 registered majority and was returned to the senate by a handsome margin. Dr. Smith, democratic candidate for governor, got 50,000 republican votes and would have beaten any one of the other men who tried for the republican nomination. It was only because Withcombe was not a boss-picked candidate that he won."

"From the national elections the democrats return to congress retaining a majority in the lower house and with an actual increase in the senate majority, and this is the only time in history that such a thing has happened to the party in power immediately following the passage of tariff bill of drastic changes. In addition to this the democrats elected more governors than ever before."

"The republicans, however," he went on to say, "are claiming sweeping victories and I predict that their chestiness will be their own undoing. Last June they were ready to make peace with the progressives and such an amalgamation would have resulted in the restoration of the republican party to power. Now however, they think they are in a position to dictate to the progressives and two years from now they will be defeated again at the presidential election. The progressives will have a full ticket in the field and the democrats will win. For awhile the formation of the progressive party purged the old republican party and was about to restore it to health. The return of Joe Cannon to congress and the re-election of Penrose by an increased majority show, however, that the party has not profited by its defeat two years ago."

Dr. Shaw Re-elected.
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 15.—Dr. Anna Howard Shaw was re-elected president of the National Woman's Suffrage Association.

VILLA AGREES TO GIVE UP ARMY AND QUIT MEXICO SOON

Rebel Leader Willing to Sacrifice Everything in Order to Bring Peace to His Country.

GARRANZA TO RESIGN ALSO

Prospects of Satisfactory Settlement in Republic Seems Near at Hand—Officials at Washington Believe Peace Will Be Restored Among Factions in Short Time.

EL PASO, Nov. 15.—General Villa has agreed to sacrifice everything for peace in Mexico and will leave the republic soon.

A telegram containing this information was received today from General Gutierrez who declared he personally had submitted to Villa the offer of Carranza to transfer authority to Gutierrez and expatriate himself if Villa would resign from the army and leave Mexico.

"Villa agreed, saying he was willing to do anything to bring peace in Mexico," the telegram said.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Whether the factions in Mexico will peacefully agree will probably be decided within the next two days.

Advices received by the state department indicated that the conference between Gutierrez and Carranza was nearing a close with an agreement probable.

Government officials here believed that all differences would be adjusted before the American troops are withdrawn from Vera Cruz on November 23.

The heads of the two factions in Mexico have agreed to protect foreigners regardless of the outcome of the present negotiations.

FATHER OF LOCAL RESIDENT DIES AT FAIRBANKS, WASH.

THOMAS HILL HOWARD, FATHER 90 YEARS, FORMERLY LIVED HERE.

Thomas Hill Howard, father of Theodore F. Howard of this city and himself a former citizen of Pendleton for thirty years, died at Fairbanks, Wash., yesterday, according to a message received here. He was past 90 years old.

Deceased was born in Charlotte, Tenn., February 22, 1824, his father being a native of North Carolina and his mother of Kentucky. Miss Elizabeth Burdette of Kentucky became his wife in 1852.

In 1855 he moved to southern Illinois and in 1864 to Johnson county, Iowa. With his wife he moved to Marshall county, Iowa in 1864, and crossed the plains in 1864 to Walla Walla. He lived in the northwest country for more than 50 years and was one of the oldest living pioneers up until his death.

He was well known in Pendleton and had a large circle of friends here who will grieve to learn of his demise.

FOLK-GAMES TO BE TAUGHT SCHOOL CHILDREN OF CITY

MISS CECILE BOYD HAS COM-MENCED WORK IN PEN-DLETON.

For the purpose of teaching folk games and recreation exercises to the school children of Pendleton, Miss Cecile Boyd, formerly of Athens and now one of the recognized playground experts in the country, will spend this week in the city. She is already here and has commenced upon her work and she plans to so instruct the teachers of the school so that they can carry on the work that she has started.

Miss Boyd is working over the state under State Superintendent Churchill, but is paid by the local districts. She comes recommended by Secretary Wier of the National Playground Association with whom she worked in Portland last year. She has spent the past five years, since her graduation from the Lewiston normal school, in fitting herself for her work and has attained a highly creditable reputation.

At the end of the school year, after the pupils have become adept in the folk dances and exercises, it is planned to give a public exhibition so that the public may appreciate the value of the new work.

Miss Boyd is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Boyd of Athens.